

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NORMAN CHARLES PICKETT,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
JULEIGH PIERCE, *et al.*,  
Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-3182-JDP (P)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

On May 22, 2025, I screened plaintiff's complaint and notified him that it did not state a claim. ECF No. 13. I ordered him to file, within thirty days, either an amended complaint or a voluntary notice of dismissal. *Id.* I subsequently granted plaintiff's request file his amended complaint by July 9, 2025. ECF No. 16. The deadline has passed without word from plaintiff.

The court has the inherent power to control its docket and may, in the exercise of that power, impose sanctions where appropriate, including dismissal. *Bautista v. Los Angeles Cnty.*, 216 F.3d 837, 841 (9th Cir. 2000); *see* Local Rule 110 ("Failure of counsel or of a party to comply with these Rules or with any order of the Court may be grounds for imposition by the Court of any and all sanctions . . . within the inherent power of the Court."). A court may dismiss an action based on a party's failure to prosecute an action, failure to obey a court order, or failure to comply with local rules. *See Henderson v. Duncan*, 779 F.2d 1421, 1424 (9th Cir. 1986) (dismissal for lack of prosecution and failure to comply with local rules).

1 I will give plaintiff a chance to explain why the court should not dismiss the case for his  
2 failure to file an amended complaint. Plaintiff's failure to respond to this order will constitute a  
3 failure to comply with a court order and will result in a recommendation that this action be  
4 dismissed. Accordingly, plaintiff is ordered to show cause within twenty-one days why this case  
5 should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute, failure to comply with court orders, and failure to  
6 state a claim. Should plaintiff wish to continue with this lawsuit, he shall file, within twenty-one  
7 days, an amended complaint.

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9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

10 Dated: August 18, 2025

  
JEREMY D. PETERSON  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE